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> STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING 450 N Street, Room 121, Sacramento **NOTICE AND AGENDA** Meeting Agenda (as of 9/22/2014, 3:40 PM)

Agenda Changes

Webcast on Tuesday, September 23, 2014

Tuesday, September 23, 2014

Board Committee Meetings Convene* 10:00 a.m. Board Meeting convenes upon Adjournment of the Board Committee Meetings**

Agenda items occur in the order in which they appear on the agenda. When circumstances warrant, the Board's Chair may modify the order of the items on the agenda.

Board Committee Meetings*

Customer Service and Administrative

- 1. Compliance Program Update Staff will present an update on the sales and use tax compliance program.
- 2. 2015 Education and Outreach Plan Staff will provide an update to the Board on the development of the BOE Education and Outreach Plan for 2015.
- 3. Update on OPEN BOE Data Portal Staff will present an update on the accomplishments and plan activities.

1. Proposed Amendments to Regulation 1588, Seeds, Plants and Fertilizer Request approval and authorization to publish proposed amendments to specifically include carbon dioxide in the definition of fertilizer in Regulation 1588, Seeds, Plants and Fertilizer.

Board Meeting**

- A. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Appeals Hearings
 There are no items for this matter.
- B. Corporate Franchise and Personal Income Tax Appeals Hearings (Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)
 - B1. Paula Trust, 759422 +

For Appellant: Sam Doolittle, Representative

Amy L. Silverstein, Attorney Edwin P. Antolin, Attorney Andrew McCullough, Attorney Sonia Woodruff, Tax Counsel

For Franchise Tax Board: Sonia Woodruff, Tax Counsel Doug Powers, Tax Counsel

B2. Denny L. Lira, 764604 +

For Appellant: Denny L. Lira, Taxpayer

For Franchise Tax Board: Samantha Nguyen, Tax Counsel

Diane Ewing, Tax Counsel

B3. Ehud Yuhitman and Dalia Yuhitman, 772960 +

For Appellants: Ehud Yuhjtman, Taxpayer
Dalia Yuhjtman, Taxpayer
For Franchise Tax Board: David Muradyan, Tax Counsel
Jean Cramer, Tax Counsel

C. Sales and Use Tax Appeals Hearings

(Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

C1. Penryn Lumber Company, 554162 (KH) +

For Petitioner: Dale Martell, Taxpayer

James H. Koether, Representative Matthew F. Heinrich, Representative

For Department: Cary Huxsoll, Tax Counsel

C2. World Marketing Leader, Inc., 602909 (GH) +

For Petitioner: Euson Huang, Representative

For Department: Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C3. Robert Gage Lesnett Revocable Trust, 625811 (UT) +

For Petitioner: Robert G. Lesnett, Taxpayer For Department: Kevin Smith, Tax Counsel

D. Special Taxes Appeals Hearing

(Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

D1a. Mox, Inc., 569235 (STF) + D1b. Mox, Inc., 570251 (STF) +

For Taxpayer: Betty Williams, Attorney

Todd Luoma, Attorney James Bourbeau, Attorney

For Department: Pamela Mash, Tax Counsel

There are no items for the following matters:

- E. Property Tax Appeals Hearings
- F. Public Hearings

G. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Consent

(Contribution Disclosure forms <u>not</u> required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

- G1. Legal Appeals Matters Mr. Angeja
 - Hearing Notice Sent No Response
 - 1. Airmonterey, LLC, 554600 (UT)
 - 2a. Adnan Y. Daher and Marlaine B. Daher, 611328 (BH)
 - 2b. Adnan Y. Daher and Marlaine B. Daher, 611326 (BH)
 - 2c. Adnan Y. Daher and Marlaine B. Daher, 611324 (BH)
 - 3. S. Peterson Enterprises, Inc., 597516, 597517 (AR)
 - Petition for Release of Seized Property
 - 4. Almokhtar Hussein Alfareh, 784927 (STF)
 - 5. George Murrah and Feddah Daoud, 790418 (STF)
 - 6. Yolanda Sahagun, 792727 (STF)
 - 7. Khattar A. Tohme, 791350 (STF)
 - Petitions for Rehearing
 - 8. Mohammad Khalid, 559974, 721406 (DF)
 - 9a. Rashid & Sons, Inc., 533211 (AS)
 - 9b. Three Four R, Inc., 532577 (AS)
 - 9c. RD 786 Enterprises, Inc., 533217(AS)
 - 9d. Z & R Oil Corporation, 532457 (AS)
- G2. Franchise and Income Tax Matters Mr. Thompson
 - Hearing Notice Sent No Response
 - Nicholas Anthony Czuczko, 621011
 - 2. Elizabeth Johnson, 757564
 - Decisions
 - 3. Ace Ventures, LLC, 725833
 - 4. David John Adlington, 663736
 - 5. William S. Ayres, 628390
 - 6. Shih Jung Bai and Claudia Y. Bai, 717459
 - 7. Bayczech, LLC, 722046
 - 8. Paul Betz and Amy Betz, 733123
 - 9. D. Maurice Carmon, 733280
 - 10. William L. Chapin, 732938
 - 11. Carolyn L. Chiappino, 725819
 - 12. Christina Choi, 712953

- 13. Kambiz Dianatkhah, 732681
- 14. Jason L. Diaz and Sherri A. Diaz, 739067
- 15. Gary P. Dubois, 743473
- 16. Ray Exley, 738670
- 17. Christy Foley and Patrick Foley, 728000
- 18. Samuel W. Fordyce and Sally G. Fordyce, 731247
- 19. Shin Ham J. Fu and Shu Chu Fu, 609646
- 20. Charles K. Gifford, Jr. and Elizabeth P. Gifford, 743474
- 21. Daxius Gregory, 740006
- 22. Wolfgang Haerle and Cornelia Haerle, 589266
- 23. Michael Hernandez, 717026
- 24. Wood R. Hill and Dena M. Hill, 742683
- 25. Martin Horcasitas, 678063
- 26. Fletcher H. Hyler, 608068
- 27. Eugean Kohl and Mary Lou Kohl, 626152
- 28. Geneal Majors, 741233
- 29. James A. Morgan and Mary Alice Morgan, 724155
- 30. Daniel Rivas, 782692
- 31. Veronica Rogers (Chormicle) and Michael Chormicle, 574411
- 32. Segall Geophysical Services, LLC, 738606
- 33. Xiaoyu Sun, 716472
- 34. Charles Updegrove, 756086
- 35. Eugene Vollucci and Barbara Vollucci, 595337
- 36. Pauline E. Wallner, 727531
- 37. William H. Gietter Trust B, 594611
- 38. James A. Wittling and Angela Wittling, 719027
- 39. Irving P. Zuckerman and Christine S. Zuckerman, 741825
- Petitions for Rehearing
 - 40. George Mak, 610342
 - 41. David R. Mills, 715376
 - 42a. Glen Steward and Jill Steward. 631064
 - 42b. Gregory Bischoff and Bonita Bischoff, 635970
- G3. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters There are no items for this matter.
- - Redeterminations
 - 1. Hoshizaki America, Inc., 734257 (OH)
 - 2. Michael P. Layman, 658127 (EH)
 - 3. Dwight C. Esnard, 658125 (EH)
 - 4. Novitex Enterprise Solutions, Inc., 743694 (OH)
 - 5. McDonnell Douglas Corporation, 496917 (OH)
 - World Wide Parts & Accessories Corp., 718126 (CH)
 - 7. Ricoh Production Print Solutions, LLC, 611793 (OH)
 - Relief of Penalty/Interest
 - 8. Capital Dynamics US Solar-Procurement 1, LLC, 823083 (BH)
 - 9. Abener Teyma Mojave General Partnership, 814058 (OH)
 - Denials of Claims for Refund
 - 10. Cig Financial, 482553 (EA)

- Grant-One Day Interest Relief
 - 11. S&S Seeds, Inc., 816212 (GH)
 - 12. Creative Bus Sales, Inc., 823086 (EH)
 - 13. The Bradbury Company, Inc., 816216 (OH)
 - 14. Business Interiors Northwest, Inc., 814060 (OH)
 - 15. Cemex Construction Materials Pacific, LLC, 816213 (OH)
 - 16. JBK Enterprise Group, Inc., 814059 (DF)
 - 17. Sonia Evelyn Santos, 816219 (CH)
 - 18. Vermont Outlet, Inc., 823087 (AS)
 - 19. Zep Vehicle Care, Inc., 823084 (OH)
 - 20. Sonus-USA, Inc., 816218 (OH)
 - 21. CP Sales, LLC, 814061 (OH)
- G5. Sales and Use Taxes Matters Credits, Cancellations, and RefundsMr. McGuire
 - Credits and Cancellations
 - 1. Benjarong, Inc., 814371 (EH)
 - Refunds
 - S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc., 772181 (JH)
 - 3. Marble Systems Installation, Inc., 597555 (BH)
 - 4. Fletcher Jones Motor Cars, Inc., 668913 (EA)
 - 5. 7-Eleven, Inc., 601929 (OH)
 - 6. Professional Hospital Supply, Inc., 772603 (EH)
 - 7. Bank of the West, 719655 (CH)
 - 8. Optical Coating Laboratory, Inc., 815747 (JH)
 - 9. Century Theatres, Inc., 814038 (OH)
 - 10. The Boeing Company, 812759 (OH)
 - 11. Miller Brewing Company, 799352 (EA)
 - 12. Cinemark USA, Inc., 814042 (OH)
 - 13. Howard Hughes Medical Institute, 609233 (OH)
 - 14. BMW of North America, 822159 (OH)
 - 15. Chrysler, LLC, 819045 (OH)
 - 16. UPS Oasis Supply Corp., 628391 (OH)
 - 17. Remec Microwave, Inc., 760066 (FH)
 - 18. Berlin Packaging, LLC, 785271 (OH)
 - 19. PGA Tour, Inc., 744433 (OH)
 - 20. Niscayah, Inc., 773743 (CH)
 - 21. Edison Material Supply, LLC, 770275 (EA)
 - 22. Mobile Mini, LLC, 742808 (OH)
 - 23. Abaxis, Inc., 823049 (CH)
 - 24. Citrix Systems, Inc., 594263 (OH)
 - 25. Hitachi Data Systems Credit Corp., 774774, (GH)
 - 26. Lobel Financial Corporation, 603823 (EA)
 - 27. Lobel Financial Corporation, 785254 (EA)
 - 28. IPC (USA), Inc., 711957 (EA)
 - 29. United Auto Credit Corporation, 799340 (EA)
 - 30. Scholastic Book Fairs, Inc., 627529 (OH)
 - 31. Sysmex America, Inc., 738981 (OH)
 - 32. Cig Financial, 482553 (EA)
 - 33. Qualcomm Mems Technologies, Inc., 817506 (FH)
 - 34. Williams Scotsman, Inc., 531532 (OH)

		 35. Clearedge Power, Inc., 788455 (OH) 36. MC Sign, LLC, 624856 (OH) 37. Compumail Information Services, Inc., 814624 (CH) 38. West Coast University, Inc., 774771 (EA) 39. JX Nippon Oil & Energy Corp., 731956 (OH) 40. Western Federal Credit Union, 745218 (AS) 				
	G6.	Special Taxes Matters There are no items for this matter.				
	G7.	Special Taxes Matters – Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds				
	G8.	Property Tax Matters				
	G9.	are no items for the following matters: Cigarette License Fee Matters Legal Appeals Property Tax Matters				
Н.	Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Adjudicatory (Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)					
	H1.	Legal Appeals MattersMr. Angeja ➤ Hearing Notice Sent – No Response 1. Jeffrey Scott Mankins, 467919, 760227 (FH) +				
		Cases Heard Not Decided 2. James Eugene Goldstein, 442332 (AC) + 3. College Shell, LLC, 576308 (AR) + 4. Y & S Enterprises, Inc., 492513 (EA) + Petitions for Rehearing 5. Anderson Audio Visual-East Bay, LLC, 511892 (CH) + 6. Andrew Steven Roganson, 538417, 737457 (AC) + Section 40 (AB 2323) Matters 7. Akop Jack Chichyan, 388129 (STF) +				
	H2.	Cases Heard Not Decided 2. James Eugene Goldstein, 442332 (AC) + 3. College Shell, LLC, 576308 (AR) + 4. Y & S Enterprises, Inc., 492513 (EA) + Petitions for Rehearing 5. Anderson Audio Visual-East Bay, LLC, 511892 (CH) + 6. Andrew Steven Roganson, 538417, 737457 (AC) + Section 40 (AB 2323) Matters				

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H4.	Sales and Use Taxes MattersMr. McGuire Redeterminations 1. Sony Electronics, Inc., 524880 (OH)
H5.	Sales and Use Taxes Matters – Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds
H6. H7. H8. H9.	Property Tax Matters
	Program Nonappearance Matters ribution Disclosure forms not required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)
I1.	Property Taxes Matters
I2.	Offer in Compromise Recommendations
I3.	Local Tax Reallocation Matters

Chief Counsel Matters

Items that appear under these matters provide information to the Members and may require Board action or direction.

J. Rulemaking Section 100 Changes

Staff request for authorization to complete Section 100 changes to correct statutory references in Regulations 4604 and 4605 and to update a reference to a regulation in Regulation 4604.

There are no items for the following matters:

- K. Business Taxes
- L. Property Taxes
- M. Other Chief Counsel Matters

Administrative Session

Items that appear under these matters provide information to the Members and may require Board action or direction.

- - N1. Retirement Resolutions +
 - Christine Cardoza
 - Doris Y. Chiang
 - Roberta Cornell
 - Donna M. Corrigan
 - Julio DeAnda
 - Julie Elliott
 - Terry Elliott
 - Diane L. Griffin
 - Rick Guidera
 - Marie Hernandez

- Amy A. Hibbitt
- Wayne G. Hill
- Brian Ishimaru
- Steven C. Kamlin (Amended)
- Kevin Long
- Cherie L. McCormick
- Mark Peletta
- Charles Press
- Gregory Reynolds
- Kathleen Roberts
- N2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
 - July 17, 2014 +
 - August 5-6, 2014 +
- N3. Proposed revisions to Audit Manual, Chapter 3, Audit Working Papers +
- N4. Proposed revision to Compliance Policy and Procedures Manual, Chapter 5, *Returns* +

N5.	Adoption	of Property	/ Tax Form -
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BOE-64-SES Initial Purchaser Claim for Solar Energy System New Construction Exclusion

The instructions to this property tax form were revised to accommodate revisions to Revenue and Taxation Code section 73 made by Senate Bill 871, effective June 20, 2014.

- O. Adoption of Board Committee Reports and Approval of Committee Actions
 - O1. Customer Service and Administrative Efficiency Committee
 - O2. Business Taxes Committee
- P. Other Administrative Matters
 - - 1. Report on Fiscal Year 2013-14 Accomplishments +

An update on accomplishments for FY 2013-14 consistent with the BOE's *Strategic Plan 2010-15*.

2. Approval of the 2015 Board Workload Plan +

The plan consists of the 2015 Board meeting calendar, annual property tax calendars, and significant dates considered in setting Board meeting dates.

- 3. CROS Project Update and ActionsMr. Steen Progress on the CROS project to replace BOE's two current tax legacy technology systems.
- P2. Chief Counsel Report......Mr. Ferris
- P3. Sales and Use Tax Deputy Director's ReportMr. McGuire
 - 1. Revenue and Taxation Code Section 6355, *Coins and Bullion*. "Bulk" Sale Threshold for 2015 +

Report on the continuation of the current bulk sale exemption threshold of \$1,500 in Sales and Use Tax Regulation 1599, *Coins and Bullion* (Rev. & Tax. Code, § 6355) for 2015.

P4. Property and Special Taxes Deputy Director's Report

Report on the rate setting for calendar year 2015 Hazardous Substances Program Fees and the Occupational Lead Poisoning Prevention Fee.

There are no items for the following matters:

- P5. Administration Deputy Director's Report
- P6. Technology Deputy Director's Report
- P7. External Affairs Deputy Director's Report

Announcement of Closed Session Ms. Richmond

Q. Closed Session

- Q1. Discussion and approval of staff recommendations regarding settlement cases (Rev. & Tax. Code, §§ 6901, 7093.5, 30459.1, 50156.11).
- Q2. Discussion of response to confidential final draft audit report from the Bureau of State Audits (Gov. Code, § 11126.2(a)).
- Q3. Pending litigation: California Insurance Company v. California State Bd. of Equalization, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC530993 (Gov. Code, § 11126(e)).
- Q4. Discussion and action on personnel matters (Gov. Code, § 11126(a)).

Announcement of Open Session...... Ms. Richmond

Adjourn

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Joann Richmond, Chief Board Proceedings Division

- Public comment on any committee agenda item will be accepted at the beginning of the committee meeting. Subsequent to committee meetings, committee agenda items may be taken up separately during the Board meeting.
- Public comment on any agenda item, other than a Closed Session item or an item which has already been considered by a Board Committee, will be accepted at that meeting.
- + Material is available for this item.
- ++ Material will be available at a later date.
- 'CF' Constitutional Function The Deputy State Controller may not participate in this matter under Government Code section 7.9.